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OAKVILLE

Tom Kane of Falls Church, Va; a student at VPI and SU, visited Mr. and Mrs. Garland Burcher and Jimmy Saturday night.

About eighty-five friends and relatives of Louis Moore met at his home on Sunday for a picnic. Everyone enjoyed the fellowship and the delicious food.

Mr. and Mrs. Rich Elliott, Heather and Stephanie of Vienna, West Va. spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Graydon Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard Moore. They attended the family "get-together" at Louis Moore's on Sunday. Friends will remember Mrs. Elliott as Jane Ann Moore, daughter of the late Kenneth Moore of Beckley, West. Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Burcher, Jimmy and Michael visited Mrs. Lena Burcher of Charlottesville last Sunday. Mrs. Burcher says "hello" to all her friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Richardson attended the Methodist Retreat at Lake Junaluska last week from Mt. Comfort Church.

Mrs. Jesse Campbell surprised her son Todd with a birthday celebration for his third birthday Monday night. Delicious home made ice cream and cake were served to many of his relatives attending.

Gospel Singing To Be Held At Bethel Bible Church

"Gospel Singing" will be held at Bethel Bible Church on Linden Street in Appomattox on Saturday evening, August 5th, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Listed below are singings or groups taking part in lifting the name of Jesus Christ in music: Faith Baptist Church, Emporia; Young People's Choir; First Baptist Church, Evington, The Hallelujah Gospel Singers, Tabernacle, Baptist Church, Monroe, Gospel Singers, Peakland Baptist Church, Lynchburg, Frances Tribble; Holy Land, U.S.A., Bedford, Rev. Jerome Swank; Liberty Baptist Church, Appomattox, Betty Rhodenizer; and Bethel Bible Church, Bill Mayberry, Sheila Mayberry, Elaine Taylor, Delois Ayers, Rayford and Betty Fleshman.

David S. Grove is pastor of the church.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

STONEWALL

But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you. Matt. 6:33

Mr. Eddie Abrams is a patient in Lynchburg General Hospital. We pray he may be healed.

Mr. Dallas Moore is improving at Charlottesville Hospital. We pray he may continue.

Rev. and Mrs. E. V. Mitchell and sons, Bobby and Rickie went to Kentucky for a few days. Hope they have a safe trip.

Mr. Crawford Davidson is doing fine at the home of his neice, Mrs. John Harrison and Johnie is doing better now. They are fine company for each other.

Mr. I. B. Wheeler will go to the hospital on August 27 for eye surgery. Wish him good luck. Mrs. I. B. Wheeler's hand is improving slowly.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Jones and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wheeler, Mrs. Hazel GAllespie, Mr. Aubrey Burnett, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Carson visited the Wheelers Sunday afternoon also Mrs. Connie Garrett and Tracey Friday. Mrs. Mary Cawthorn, Elsie Thornhill and Mr. Carey Carson visited the Wheelers.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Howell of Plymouth, N. C. came Wednesday and spent the night with his sister, Mrs. Nina Caldwell.

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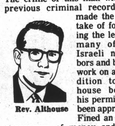
THINKING WITH EMOTIONS

Lesson for August 6, 1978

Background Scripture: Acts 21:17 through 25:27.
Devotional Reading: Psalms 118:6-9.

A friend of mine, A Palestinian (Arab) "Christian" with a history of heart disease, is forced to do hard labor in an Israeli prison. The crime of this man with no previous criminal record: he made the mistake of following the lead of many of his Israeli neighbors and began work on an addition to his house before his permit had been approved. Fined an enormous sum of money and sentenced to hard labor, he was not permitted a Palestinian lawyer to defend him. A normally peaceful, law-abiding citizen, it is difficult for him to manage his anger.


Rev. Althouse

They Supposed

Another friend of mine is an Israeli professor. For several years he risked his life posing as an Arab to bring Jewish children safely out of Arab lands where they faced persecution. He has lost many friends in battle and he never knows when his wife goes to the supermarket or department store whether she will be the victim of an Arab guerilla bombing. He too, normally a peaceful and civilized man, is frustrated and angry.

One is a Christian, the other a Jew: both of them are thinking with their emotions! Both are letting anger and frustration cloud their ability to think and their capacity to live by their own religious principles. It is impossible to reason with these men. A little bit of truth and a lot of emotion are holding sway.

It is hardly a novel situation for the Middle East — or even the world. For example, it is just such a situation we find in Acts 21 with Paul in Jerusalem and, as usual, in trouble as well! The ingredients of the trouble are familiar. First, there are troublemakers who "stirred up all the crowd." (Like the "poor," I suppose, we always have with us the troublemakers.) Secondly, we have a little bit of truth which is greatly distorted. They had seen Paul in the Temple and they had seen him with Trophimus, an Ephesian Greek, so "they supposed that Paul had brought him into the temple."

Because Of The Uproar

Manipulating the prejudices and emotions of the people, the troublemakers provoked such an uproar that the tribune "could not learn the facts." Nothing is more helpful when you're on the wrong side of the facts than a good, old-fashioned uproar.

Finally, as so often happens, we have a situation completely out of hand. Stirring up the crowd to oppose Paul and threaten him, the troublemakers now have a mob on their hands that wants to kill Paul. When we think with our emotions, someone is going to get hurt, perhaps even die.

Despite a Lord who taught the primacy of love and a Saviour who gave himself on a cross, Christians have all too often been numbered among the mobs and armies who, thinking with their emotions, have allowed the cross to continue as a symbol of man's shame.

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Revival services began Sunday night, July 30th at Hollywood Church. Rev. David L. Bailey of Gladys brought a wonderful message. Miss Jackie Cobb and Mr. George Cheatham of Trinity Methodist Church furnished special music for this service which was enjoyed and appreciated so much.

Friends and relatives were very happy to have a former member of Hollywood to worship with them Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Beasley of Richmond and their son and daughter in law, Dr. and Mrs. Bob Beasley of Harrisonburg. They were supper guest Saturday evening of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Beasley Jr. of Appomattox. They all visited Mrs. Virgie Beasley at the Martin-Wooldridge Nursing Home Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Joiner of Herndon, Ky. arrived Thursday for a visit with relatives and friends. They were guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Myrt Mann and family of Gretna Thursday night and Friday.

We are very sorry to hear Mr. James Maxwell is a patient in the Virginia Baptist Hospital. Our prayers are with him and his loved ones.

We were so glad to hear that Mr. George Jennings was feeling better Sunday. He is a patient at the University Hospital in Charlottesville.

Supper guest Friday evening of Mrs. Mary Bagby were Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Joiner, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wingfield and Miss Julia Wingfield. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Almond and Mrs. Ruby Woodall called in this home later in the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Beasley and Dr. and Mrs. Bob Beasley visited Mrs. Bagby Saturday morning.

We are so happy to hear Mrs. Edwin Schampel of Wildwood, Fla. is recovering from an infection received froma burn in one of her eyes. We pray she may soon be fully recovered.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Woodall spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Webb and family. Miss Joyce Webb accompanied them home for a visit.

Mr. Jerry Kendricks is on duty in the Naval Reserve in Daytona Beach, Fla. Mrs. Kendricks, Kevin, Jeff and Jody went by plane to Florida to spend their vacation with him while there.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Ramsdale is spending their vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Ramsdale in North East, Penn.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Woodall and Lisa spent a few days last week in Washington, D.C.

Mrs. Iva Covington and daughter, Mrs. Harry Randall of Douglas, Wyoming visited Mrs. Mary Bagby Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Joiner were breakfast guest Saturday morning of Mrs. Emma Lemon and supper guest of Miss Claudine O'Brien were also supper guest of Miss O'Brien Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Watson and family spent the week end at Virginia Beach.

Mrs. Claude Hamlett and daughter, Brenda visited her mother, Mrs. Virgie Beasley Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Abbitt of Pamplin and Mr. Abbitts mother, Mrs. Geneva Turnes Abbitt recently visited Mr. H. W. Jenkins. Mr. Bob Jenkins and Mr. Twyman Baldwin visited in this home during the week end.

Mr. Alfred Almond called in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Watson Saturday.

Mrs. W. T. Covington spent the week end with her sister Mrs. J. L. Torrence. Mrs. M. L. Covington and Mr. H. W. Jenkins visited Mrs. Covington during the week.

Mrs. Kenneth Wingfield and son of Roanoke spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Deaner and family.

Mr. David Cawthorn visited Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Webb, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Webb and family and Mr. John H. Webb Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Joiner were guest Sunday of the family of Mr. Robert Woolridge in Lynchburg.

Mrs. James Conner, Mrs. J. L. Torrence and Mrs. W. T. Covington were visitors Sunday evening of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Coleman.

Among those calling in the Mary Bagby home last week were Mrs. Robert Ayers and daughers, Bonnie and Connie, Mr. Scott Sheets, Mrs. Andy Davis, Robin, Mrs. Raymond Franklin, Mrs. Kenneth Deaner, Miss Dawn Deaner, Mr. H. W. Jenkins and Lewis Tweedy.

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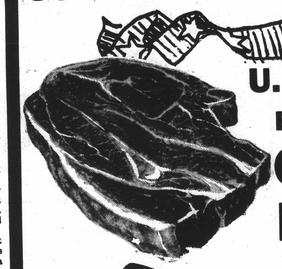

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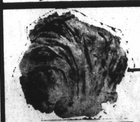

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